

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously presented) An imaging system for interaction with one or more subject carried terminal devices, the one or more terminal devices including a display capable of displaying images and a communication device to enable communication therewith, the imaging system comprising:

at least one imaging means for photographing a subject carrying a terminal device and for obtaining image data representing an image of the subject;

an imaging communication means included with each associated imaging means for providing wireless data communication to the subject carried terminal devices from the imaging communication means and for receiving wireless data communication from the subject carried terminal devices; and

a control means for controlling the operation of the imaging means so that the imaging means is driven to obtain image data when the terminal device carried by the subject and the imaging communication means become able to communicate with each other to determine the subject is within the image data to be obtained by the imaging means; and

communication range restricting means for limiting wireless data transmission from the imaging communication means and wireless data reception by the imaging communication means to be in an angular range along a direction in common with an imaging direction of the associated imaging means,

wherein the communication range restricting means further restricts the angular range to have an angular extent that matches an imaging angle of view of the associated imaging means, and

the control means controls the imaging communication means to transmit image data representing the image of the subject obtained by the imaging means to the terminal device of the subject carrying the terminal device that is in the angular range of the communication range restricting means for display thereon.

2. (Previously presented) The imaging device as defined in Claim 1, wherein the control means is a means for assigning terminal information that specifies the terminal device carried by the subject to the image data.

Claim 3 (Canceled).

4. (Previously presented) The imaging device as defined in Claim 1, wherein the control means is a means for generating small capacity image data of which data volume is less than the image data and transmitting the small capacity image data to the terminal device instead of the image data.

Claims 5 and 6 (Canceled).

7. (Previously Presented) The imaging device as defined in Claim 1, wherein the control means is a means for controlling the drive of the imaging means so that photography is prohibited after a predetermined number of images have been photographed continuously.

8. (Previously Presented) The imaging device as defined in Claim 1, wherein the control means is a means for controlling the drive of the imaging means so that imaging is prohibited for a predetermined time after photography.

9. (Previously Presented) The imaging device as defined in Claim 1, wherein the control means is a means for controlling the drive of the imaging means so that the imaging means performs photography only when the terminal device gives an instruction to perform photography.

Claims 10-12 (Canceled).

13. (Currently amended) The imaging system as defined in Claim ~~[[12]]~~1, wherein a plurality of the ~~cameras-imaging means~~ are provided with overlapping imaging ranges and the ~~controller-control means~~ in each of the ~~cameras-imaging means~~ controls the drive of an associated one of the~~the~~ plurality of ~~cameras-imaging means~~ so that when all the ~~wireless-image imaging communication units-means~~ included with each of the plurality of ~~cameras-imaging means~~ have become able to communicate data with the terminal device, the plurality of ~~camera~~ ~~to-imaging means~~ photograph respective images.

14. (Currently amended) The imaging system as defined in Claim ~~[[12]]~~1, further comprising:

an image server for storing the images obtained by the at least one ~~or more~~ ~~cameras-imaging means~~.

15. (Currently amended) The imaging system as defined in Claim ~~[[12]]~~1, further comprising:

a printer for printing out the image data obtained by the at least one ~~or more~~ ~~cameras-imaging means~~.

16. (Previously Presented) The imaging system as defined in Claim 15, wherein the printer only prints out the image data for which an instruction to print has been issued.

17. (Currently amended) The imaging system as defined in Claim 16, wherein the instruction to print can be issued at the one or more ~~terminal-device~~ devices.

Claims 18-30 (Canceled).